

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Dennis J. Michaelson, et al.

Group/Art Unit: 1744

Application No.: 10/050,400

Examiner: Monzer R. Chorbaji

Filed: January 15, 2002

Attorney Docket No: STES104

Title: Sterilization apparatus for orthodontic  
bands

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**RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S ACTION**

**Dated: April 3, 2007**

To: Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

In response to the Examiner's Action mailed April 3, 2007, please enter the following amendments and remarks of record:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this Response to Office Action.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this Response to Office Action.